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Ngày sinh: Ngày 16 tháng 11 năm 1941

Chủng tộc: Da trắng

Chiều cao: 1.85 thước

Cân nặng: 79.3 kí

Màu tóc: Vàng

Màu mắt: Xanh

JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING
BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 18 OCTOBER 1993

===== BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION =====

REFNO: 0827-0-01 (ACCNO 5658) Status: (N) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED
Name: PRATHER, MARTIN WILLIAM Date Status assigned: 5 Sep 1967

Nationality	AMERICAN	Race	CAUCASIAN	Blood Chit	#
Service	MARINE CORPS	Sex	MALE	Blood type	O +
Grade	E3	Hair	BROWN	Complexion	RUDDY
SSAN	DATA	Eyes	BROWN	Weapon	#
Serial No	2271894	Height	68 in / 1.73 mtrs	Weapon No	#
Birth date	9 Jun 1947	Weight	145 lb / 65.7 kg	Duty pos	RIFLEMAN
Home State	KENTUCKY	Religion	CATHOLIC	PW Camp	\$

===== SITE INFORMATION =====

INCIDENT LOCATION (0)

Site Type: GROUND SITE
UTM: 48QYD316355
Lat/Long: 163530N / 1071016E
Country: SOUTH VIETNAM
Military Region: 1
Mission Province: QUANG TRI
(formerly):
Mission District: TRIEU HAI
Mission Date: 5 Sep 1967
Mission Category: 3
Local Analysis: Unknown location.

===== JTF-FA ACTIVITY SUMMARY =====

Folders Passed: Jul 93
Investigations: Aug 93
Surveys: Aug 93
Vessey Case: NO
Case type: GROUND SITE

===== VEHICLE DATA =====

Vehicle Type: GRND	Serial: \$
Crash Type: None	Engine Type:
Call Sign: \$	1 Serial:
Year: \$	2 Serial:

===== SPECIAL CHARACTER KEY =====

= Item has been researched but data cannot be obtained.
\$ = Item is not applicable to this case.
@ or Blank = Data for item is unknown or not available.

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=== CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ===

19 December 1975

AT 2000 HOURS ON 5 SEPTEMBER 1967 LCPL MARTIN W. PRATHER, A MEMBER OF A RECONNAISSANCE PATROL FROM COMPANY D, 3RD RECONNAISSANCE BATTALION, 3RD MARINE DIVISION, WAS AWAITING EXTRACTION FROM A HELICOPTER PICK-UP ZONE IN THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES YD316355, APPROXIMATELY ELEVEN KILOMETERS SOUTHWEST OF THON THUONG NGYEN VILLAGE, QUANG TRI PROVINCE, SOUTH VIETNAM. THE PATROL CAME UNDER HEAVY AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE FROM HOSTILE FORCES AND LCPL PRATHER WAS SHOT IN THE HEAD. HIS PATROL LEADER AND ONE OTHER MEMBER OF THE PATROL CONFIRMED THAT IN FACT HE HAD BEEN SHOT AND KILLED.

A SEARCH FOR HIS BODY WAS MADE ON 6 SEPTEMBER. DUE TO HEAVY CONCENTRATIONS OF HOSTILE FORCES IN THAT AREA, IT WAS DETERMINED THAT THE BODY COULD NOT BE REMOVED. THE AREA WAS SUBSEQUENTLY BOMBED WITH NAPALM AND EXPLOSIVE ORDNANCE. (REF 1 & 2)

DURING THE EXISTENCE OF JCRC, THE HOSTILE THREAT IN THE AREA PRECLUDED ANY VISITS TO OR GROUND INSPECTIONS OF THE SITES INVOLVED IN THIS CASE. THE LACK OF SPECIFIC INFORMATION IN THIS INCIDENT PRECLUDED A POSSIBLE VISIT. THIS INDIVIDUAL'S NAME AND IDENTIFYING DATA WERE TURNED OVER TO THE FOUR-PARTY JOINT MILITARY TEAM WITH A REQUEST FOR ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE. NO RESPONSE WAS FORTHCOMING. LCPL PRATHER IS CURRENTLY CARRIED IN THE PRESUMPTIVE STATUS OF DEAD, BODY NOT RECOVERED.

=== REFERENCES ===

19 December 1975

REFERENCES: <1> MSG, CG THIRD MARDIV, RPT OF DEATH, 080733Z SEP 67.
<2> MSG, CG THIRD MARDIV, PROGRESS RPT, 241459Z SEP 67. <3> DEBRIEF OF RECON TEAM, THIRD RECON BN, 070039Z SEP 67. <4> 240457Z SEP 93 CJTFFA DET ONE BANGKOK TH.

=== NEGOTIATION ACTIONS ===

20 August 1993

CASE NARRATIVE WAS PASSED TO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENT DURING THE 28 JUL 1993 POW/MIA TECHNICAL MEETING IN HANOI.

=== MAJOR COORDINATE CHANGE ===

17 November 1992

LOSS COORDINATES CHANGED FROM YD124437 TO YD316355 PER EXTRACT OF

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RECORDS RECEIVED FROM THE USMC HISTORICAL CENTER. (REF 3)

=== JOINT INVESTIGATION, SURVEY OR EXCAVATION ===

6 October 1993

ON 1 SEP 93, IE2 INVESTIGATED CASE 0827 IN DONG HA TOWN, QUANG TRI PROVINCE. IE2 INTERVIEWED ONE WITNESS WHO GAVE INFORMATION ON THE DEATH AND BURIAL OF A U.S. SOLDIER KILLED DURING A BATTLE NEAR HAI LANG AND HAI PHU VILLAGES IN HAI LANG DISTRICT. HOWEVER, THE WITNESS COULD NOT REMEMBER EVEN A GENERAL AREA OF THE BURIAL SITE. ON 10 SEP 93, IE2 CONDUCTED A SURVEY OF THE INCIDENT LOCATION REPORTED BY U.S. SOURCES. RESULTS WERE NEGATIVE. (REF 4)